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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM

Angus MacLean Thuermer

Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT

Washington Press Club Speech

Milton Jacques of the Washington Press Club called to tell me that your talk on Monday, May 10 at 12:15 p.m. in the Sheraton-Carlton basement rooms (buffet), would be a "members only" meeting. That means that those persons who are there will be working press; they will not be bringing along maiden aunts who might be in town or Buster Brown or Sister Sue.

I said I did not know if you had decided on a subject yet. This did not disturb him.

Recall Jacques once said that if TV members requested, television cameras can come in. These sessions are on the record. Q&A can be expected. This club originally was women only; not so now.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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: Angus MacLean Thuermer

Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT

Washington Press Club Meeting

You are booked for a buffet-luncheon talk before the Washington Press Club on May 10 at 12:15 at the Sheraton-Carlton.

You will be introduced at about 1:00. Milton Jacques promises that you will be out by 2:00.

The meetings are on the record. There will be a lot of tape recorders there. If television cameramen ask to come, they are permitted to be there. There are questions and answers from the floor.

A considerable number of the grande dames of the Washington press corps are members. Milt asked me if I would like to come along and I suggested that you might along as well. want to have immediately invited her.

Your fellow Texan, Peggy Simpson, is the President and my old Chicago copyboy, Bill Eaton, is the Vice-President.

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Director of \Central Intelligence

FROM

Angus MacLean Thuermer Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT

Washington Press Club Speaking Invitation

The Washington Press Club (formerly the Women's Press organization) wants you to speak to them during the week of April 19, April 26, or May 10. They usually have luncheon meetings but they can make other arrangements. It normally takes place in their quarters in the Sheraton-Carlton.

The original request came from your fellow Texan, Peggy Simpson, Associated Press. She said you had chatted briefly about it. Milt Jacques, of the Pittsburgh Post Gazette, is the program chairman. He suggested that the group will probably be the members plus one guest.

This would be useful. Do not forget, however, some other groups, especially the smaller, tighter, Overseas Writers Club have been in the queue a little bit longer than this broader-based organization.

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April 28, 1976

Dear Mr. Miner,

Thank you for your letter of April 21st. I was most interested to hear that you just came back from China.

Sometime in the future, I would be glad to speak to the Mid-America Committee. I remember my last appearance there very well indeed. I would ask that such a meeting be done in the fall rather than in the spring or summer. I have been totally swamped, and I've had to cut back on many public appearances.

I envy you your stay at the Peking Hotel during all that turmoil in Tien An Men.

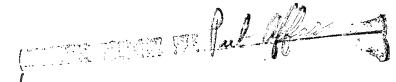
Thanks for inviting me.

George Bush
Director

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Mr. Thomas H. Miner President The Mid-America Committee 135 South LaSalle Street Chicago, Illinois 60603

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April 21, 1976

Hon. George Bush Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Bush:

On behalf of the sponsors of the Mid-America Committee, I wish to extend an invitation to you to be our guest in Chicago. We remember with pleasure your visit in 1972 and would now appreciate an opportunity of meeting with you again.

This time, we would suggest either a breakfast or luncheon meeting. You would be asked to make a thirty-minute, informal, off-the-record presentation, and then answer questions. Separate media appointments can be arranged if desired. We are flexible both as to the date and type of meeting.

You will be interested in learning that we have just returned from two weeks in China. We stayed at the Peking Hotel, where we had front-row center seats for the demonstrations. In spite of the internal political situation, we kept to our schedule of meetings and had a very enjoyable and successful trip.

We do hope you will be able to come to Chicago and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Thomas H Miner.

Thomas H. Miner

President

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28 April 1976

DCI,

A bit of pleasant news: Joseph Congress, public information officer for DARCOM, formerly the Army Materiel Command, called me this morning to talk at great length in praise of the Agency's new silver brochure which is sent to people requesting information about the Agency. He said that in all his years as an expert in the production of such material, he has never seen its equal in any aspect -- art work, text, layout, printing, general appearance, and information content. He asked for, and will receive, half a dozen extra copies to show to others in his line of work.

Mr. Congress had further praise for the Agency by noting that we were by far the first to respond (within two days) with our brochure when recently wrote to a number of government agencies for employment information.

You may wish to pass the praise about the quality of the brochure to those within the Agency who produced it.

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NEWMAN HAMBLET

April 20, 1976

The Honorable George Bush Director, Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Bush:

This is just a note to express my personal appreciation and thanks for your willingness to come to Richmond last night and talk with the members of the Forum Club. Jim Watkinson put it very properly at the end of the meeting when he said it had been the finest program our group had ever had.

There is no way to say "Thank You" to a gentleman who has done so much for his country but please know your efforts are appreciated and your presentation last night was an extremely informative, reassuring and encouraging one.

I wish you could have heard the comments as the members left the room and wandered down the stairs and into the parking lot.

Sincerely,

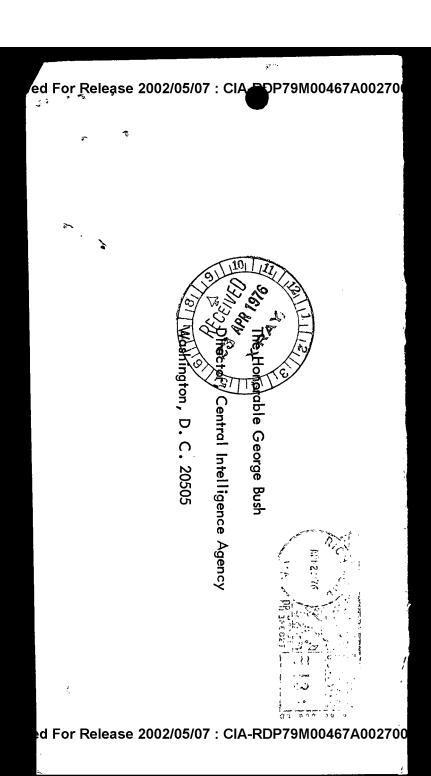
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April 28, 1976

Dear Mr. Hamblet,

I just have to write to thank you for your most generous letter of April 20th. I was pleased to be with that distinguished group. I felt that you people understood what I was trying to say and trying to do, and that meant an awful lot to me.

Thank you, Sir, for your very generous letter.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Coorge Bush

George Bush

Mr. Newman Hamblet Executive Vice President Thalhimer Brothers, Inc. Richmond, Virginia

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Mr. J. Rex Farrior, Jr. President, The Florida Bar 2200 First Financial Tower P. O. Box 3324 Tampa, FL 33601

Dear Mr. Farrior:

Despite the great honor it is to be asked, I fear I'm not going to be able to address the Florida Bar.

Now and well into the summer, I'm going to be heavily engaged in carrying out the President's Executive Order to reshape our nation's intelligence community. I hope you will understand how I must give almost my total time to this effort.

Perhaps another occasion will arise in which you will flatter me with an invitation.

Sincerely,

/s/ George Bush

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J. REX FARRIOR, JR.

PRESIDENT

April 9, 1976

2200 First Financial Tower Post Office Box 3324 Tampa, Florida 33601

Mr. George Bush, Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Bush:

Each year one of the highlights of the annual meeting of The Florida Bar is the luncheon held in honor of the judiciary. We are always privileged to have in attendance jurists from every level of our state court system, together with members of the federal judiciary. Both attorneys and judges alike find it to be one of the most enjoyable affairs of the convention.

In accordance with our tradition of having a guest speaker who is known and respected by members of the bench and bar, The Florida Bar would be honored to have you speak at this year's luncheon, which will be held at 12:30 P. M., on Saturday, June 12, 1976, at Walt Disney World (near Orlando, Florida).

If your schedule permits, we would be happy to have you and your wife as guests of The Florida Bar on Friday and Saturday to allow you time to attend some of our other functions and visit the many attractions at Walt Disney World. The Florida Bar will of course provide round trip air transportation and hotel accommodations during your stay.

I sincerely hope that your schedule will permit you to be our guest at the 1976 Annual Meeting of The Florida Bar. Your early response would be appreciated to facilitate finalizing arrangements for your visit.

Sincerely

J. Rex Farrior, Jr.

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April 26, 1976

Lieutenant General Vernon A. Walters, Deputy Director, Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Dick,

I saw in the newspapers the announcement of the completion of your tour with the Agency. I have not seen you since you took on this supremely demanding job, but like others who have known you felt comfortable that the CIA was in the best possible hands during its most trying period. I hope you leave with a well-earned sense of accomplishment. I will be interested to see what you turn to next; whatever it is, I know it will be well done.

That, really, is the main reason for this note. But the occasion brings with it a request for information. I have been collecting material for a piece on the Warsaw Pact invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968, intended for publication. I was in Bonn at the time, and closely involved since both the Germans and ourselves had to take into account that the Pact troop movement might not halt at the border. I was convinced then, and remain so, that the final Russian decision to go in was taken late and influenced considerably by the concurrent US withdrawel of 35,000 troops—taken by them as a clear signal of no risk.

But to do this write-up properly, I would like to refresh my memory by a look at the State Department and CIA traffic on, and analyses of, the matter at the time. What I would appreciate from you would be advice on how I might go about applying for such an authorization. I do have a current State Department security clearance based on my Stanford Research Institute consultant status; however, this project would not be under SRI auspices (unless they might want to buy it later). My intention would be to read over the classified material, make some notes, and then to submit my write-up to the Agency (and State Department) for review to see that no security problems were involved.

Any suggestions you may have would be greatly appreciated. And good luck to you for your future.

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Mr. Jim Roberts
Public Affairs Director
WTKO Radio
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P. O. Box 10
Ithaca, N.Y. 14850

Dear Mr. Roberts,

Please excuse the long delay in responding to your letter of March 10 addressed to Mr. Bush.

With the reorganization of the intelligence community, Mr. Bush has had an incredibly tight schedule and will not be able to oblige you with your telephone interview.

I am enclosing a couple of pieces of literature which you may find of interest.

Sincerely,

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Angus MacLean Thuermer Assistant to the Director

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March 10, 1976

Mr. George Bush Director of Central Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Bush:

I recently interviewed William Colby prior to his appearance at Cornell University. The interview was informative, and was an aid in presently the problems facing the CIA and the concerns of the U.S. Citizen.

Would it be possible to follow up on the Colby interview, with a 15 minute, telephone interview with yourself?. Although we are not ABC, CBS, or NBC, I hope this request will warrant the same consideration.

Sincerely,

Jim Roberts

Public Affairs Director

WTKO Radio

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P.S. I realize it's a long shot.